

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 2 290 BROADWAY NEW YORK, NY 10007-1866

May 8, 2020

Mr. John Schenkewitz Manager, Remediation Hess Corporation Trenton-Mercer Airport 601 Jack Stephan Way West Trenton, NJ 08628

RE: Hess Corp – Former Port Reading Refinery

EPA ID No. NJD045445483

Woodbridge Township, Middlesex County PI #: 006148; Activity Number: RPC000002

Brown and Caldwell March 25, 2020 Response to EPA November 15, 2019 Letter concerning AOC 103

Dear Mr. Schenkewitz:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 2 and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department) are currently reviewing a letter from Brown and Caldwell dated March 25, 2020 in response to EPA's comment letter dated November 15, 2019 concerning the Site Investigation Work Plan AOC 103 (Fire Area/Fire Pit). Please provide, by June 8, 2020, a response to the following comments so that EPA and NJDEP can complete their review:

The March 25 letter indicates that a portion of aqueous film forming foam (AFFF) was transferred to the poly totes and the remaining was transferred to a waste hauler tanker truck for off-site disposal. The tanker truck still needs to be rinsed and, afterward, will be scraped for off-site disposal. It relied on visual observations that there were no discharges. Please provide a signed certification or inspection report stating to the effect that no releases or discharges were observed and information on when each of these activities occurred and will occur relative to the inspection performed. Upon completion of rinsing the tanker truck, please provide a supplemental certification or inspection report stating that no releases or discharges occur during the rinsing.

Please provide information on where the tanker truck was staged on-site before it moved into the current location in 2013 and whether the tanker truck stored AFFF before it moved to the current location.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (212) 637-4184 or email at <u>park.andy@epa.gov</u> or Mr. Philip Cole of NJDEP at (609) 292-0395 or email at Phil.Cole@dep.nj.gov.

Sincerely,

Andrew Park
Base Program Management Section
Land and Redevelopment Programs Branch

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